

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Original)** An artificial CpG-containing single-stranded oligodeoxynucleotide, which is consisted of single-stranded oligonucleotide DNA molecule containing one or more CpG(s).
2. **(Original)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 1, which has a sequence as defined by SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 4 or SEQ ID NO: 5.
3. **(Currently amended)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, which has a function of inducing the production of antiviral substances from cell.
4. **(Original)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 3, wherein said virus is a single-stranded positive strand RNA virus or influenza virus.
5. **(Original)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 4, wherein said single-stranded positive strand RNA virus is a variant of coronavirus or flaviviridae virus.
6. **(Original)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 5, wherein said variant of coronavirus is SARS virus.
7. **(Original)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 5, wherein said flaviviridae virus is hepatitis C virus, dengue virus or Japanese encephalitis virus.
8. **(Currently amended)** The oligonucleotide according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, which has a non-sulfurized, partially sulfurized or completely sulfurized phosphodiester bond.
9. **(Currently amended)** A composition comprising the oligonucleotide according to Claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-8~~.
10. **(Original)** The composition according to claim 9, further comprising other antiviral drugs or vaccines.
- 11.-16. **(Cancelled)**
17. **(New)** A method for inducing the production of antiviral substances from cell comprising treating said cell with the oligonucleotide of Claim 1.
18. **(New)** A method for preventing or treating diseases caused by a virus, comprising treating a cell with the oligonucleotide of Claim 1.
19. **(New)** The method of Claim 18, wherein said virus is single-stranded positive strand RNA virus or influenza virus.

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20. (**New**) The method of Claim 19, wherein said single-stranded positive strand RNA virus is a variant of coronavirus or flaviviridae virus.

21. (**New**) The method of Claim 20, wherein said variant of coronavirus is SARS virus.

22. (**New**) The method of Claim 20, wherein said flaviviridae virus is hepatitis C virus, dengue virus or Japanese encephalitis virus.